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Employment of dependents of government employees

Agreement concerning employment of dependents of official government employees. Effected by exchange of notes at Caracas July 18 and 29, 1988. Entered into force July 29, 1988.

EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Caracas, Venezuela

July 18, 1988

No. 527

Excellency:

I have the honor to inform your Excellency that the Government of the United States of America is interested in concluding a bilateral agreement with the Government of the Republic of Venezuela to permit local employment of dependents of Diplomatic and Consular personnel accredited to each receiving country on a reciprocal basis.

For the purposes of this agreement, "Dependents" shall include:

- Spouses;
- Unmarried dependent children under 21 years of age;
- Unmarried dependent children under 23 years of age who are in full-time attendance as students at a post-secondary educational institution; and
- Unmarried dependent children who are physically or mentally disabled.

Excellency

Dr. Germán Nava Carrillo

Minister of Foreign Affairs

Caracas

In the case of dependents who seek employment in the United States, an official request must be made by the Embassy of Venezuela in Washington to the Office of Protocol in the Department of State. Upon verification that the person is a dependent of an official employee of the Venezuelan Government, the Venezuelan Government will be informed by the Office of Protocol that the dependent has permission to accept employment.

In the case of dependents who seek employment in Venezuela, the request shall be made in writing by the United States Embassy in Venezuela to the Venezuelan Ministry of Foreign Affairs, which after verification shall then inform the United States Embassy that the dependent may accept employment.

As to dependents who obtain employment under this agreement and who have immunity from the jurisdiction of the receiving country in accordance with Article 31 of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations or in accordance with any other applicable international agreement on privileges and immunities, immunity from civil and administrative jurisdiction with respect to all matters arising out of such employment is hereby irrevocably waived by the sending state concerned. Such dependents are also liable for payment of income and social security taxes on any remuneration received as a result of employment in the receiving State.

The Embassy of the United States further proposes that, if these understandings are acceptable to the Government of Venezuela, this Note and the Government of

Venezuela's reply concurring therein shall constitute an agreement between our two Governments which shall enter into force on the date of that reply Note. However, with respect to dependents of employees of Permanent Missions to International Organizations, this agreement shall enter into force upon notification in writing by both Governments that their respective Governments have adopted measures which allow the issuance of permits to take up employment to such dependents. This agreement shall remain in force until ninety days after the date of the written notification from either Government to the other of intention to terminate.

Accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

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Excellency:

I have the honor to address your Excellency to acknowledge receipt of your communication dated July 20, 1988, which is quoted as follows:

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I am pleased to confirm that I agree with the terms of the previous Note which annexed with this present Note, constitutes a bilateral agreement between our two Governments.

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Germán Nava Carrillo Minister of Foreign Relations